

## Parks, Art, Recreation, Culture & Streetscapes (PARCS) Board Meeting

1.13.2015

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#### **Public Comment**



Citizens who desire to address the Board with regard to matters on the agenda will be received at this time. The number of speakers will be limited to the first ten (10) speakers, and each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.

Comment or discussion by any member of the board shall be made only at the time the subject is scheduled for consideration on the board agenda in accordance with Government Code Section 551.042.

Review of and discussion on the Sugar Land Legacy Foundation and its vision, mission, core values, role and accomplishments to date.

Presented by:

Ms. Cynthia Dees, Assistant to the City Manager



## Sugar Land Legacy Foundation Overview

Ms. Cindy Dees,
Assistant to the City Manager



#### **History of the Foundation**

- Established by City Council in 2010
- Assist the City in Acquisition & Development of Parks & Civic Facilities
- City Role: Seed Funding & Program Administration
- Board of Directors Role: Strategic Planning,
   Donation Oversight & Contact to Potential
   Donors, the Public and Other Stakeholders



#### **Board of Directors**





#### Vision:

Leaving a Legacy by Enhancing Sugar Land's Quality of Life

Mission: The Sugar Land Legacy Foundation promotes community investment in facilities and activities that enhance the long-term prosperity and quality of life of Sugar Land residents.



#### Values:

- Advocating diversity of culture, race, ethnicity, religion and age
- Ensuring transparency, accountability and fairness in all dealings
- Promoting service to the community



#### **History of the Foundation**

- Established by City Council in 2010
- Assist the City in Acquisition & Development of Parks & Civic Facilities
- Review of Key Documents
  - Certificate of Formation
  - Corporation Bylaws



#### **Strategic Planning**

- Completed in 2013
- Development Consultant Cate+Proctor
- Planning for Legacy Fund Campaign
- Updating strategic plan in October



# Foundation Accomplishments Highlights



#### **Eldridge Park Trail Improvements**

- City Approached by National Recreation & Park Association in Partnership with Darden Foundation – "Great American Trails" Program
  - Recommended Utilization of Sugar Land Legacy Foundation
  - Amount: \$15,000
- Use: Improvements to the Eldridge Park Trail Including Benches, Trash Cans, Distance Markers & Signage



#### **Public Art in Public Services**

- Ten sculptures placed or planned at multiple locations throughout Sugar Land
  - City of Sugar Land Parks and Town Square
  - Bronze, metal and resin sculptures
  - All donated by Samuel Levin
- Accepted by City Council in August 2013 & September 2014





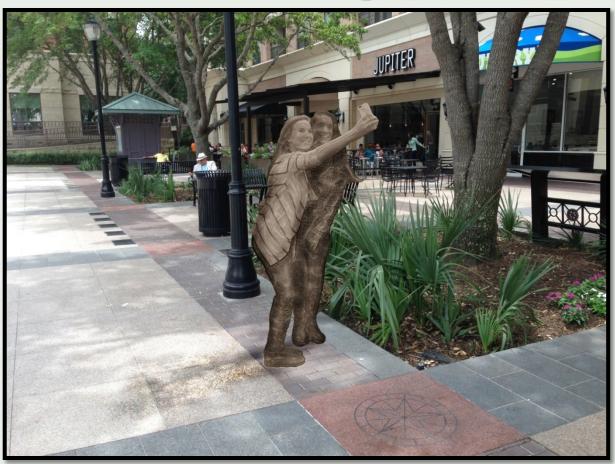
























#### **Veterans Memorial**

- Donation accepted by City Council in August
   2013
- Installed at Sugar Land Memorial Park in September 2013
- Spearheaded by Tilt-Up Concrete Association
- In-kind donations from several area companies
  - Final in-kind value: \$337,085







#### **Universally Accessible Playground**

Continued Progress on Project





### First Small Capital Campaign: Universally Accessible Playground

- Year-to-Date Donations In-Hand: \$176,916
- City of Sugar Land Pledge: \$200,000
- Will go to City Council for acceptance



## <u>Identification of Next Capital</u> <u>Campaigns:</u>

- Legacy Fund
- Additional Sugar Land Memorial Park
   Public Art to "Memorialize" Park
- Awareness & Marketing Campaign



#### **Financial Review**



#### 2014 Financials (Year 4) – Donations

- Restricted Revenue: \$155,916.03
  - All restricted for UAP
- In-Kind Donations: \$86,300.00
  - \$38,300.00-Public Art
  - \$48,000.00 Development consulting services from the City of Sugar Land
- In-Kind Donation Expenses: \$86,300.00
- 2013 Restricted Revenue Balance: \$44,284.86
- Net 2014 Donation Income: \$111,631.17



#### 2014 Financials (Year 4) - Operations

- 2014 Expenses: \$922.49
  - Includes Website, Telephone, Post Office Box & Bank Check Order
- Operational Fund Balance: \$6,554.07
  - Remaining from City Seed Funding



### Questions?



Review of and discussion on the Open the Door and P.O.D.A. Public Art Displays.

Presented by:

Mr. Jim Browne, Director of Parks and Recreation

## Open the Door & P.O.D.A. **Art Display Updates**

#### **Summary:**

At the November 11, 2014 PARCS Board meeting, the board consensus was for staff to move forward with the planning and implementation of the Open the Door and P.O.D.A. Public Art Displays.

#### Open the Door:

Dr. Lalani with the Aga Khan Foundation has submitted the Donation Application Form to the Sugar Land Legacy Foundation for consideration and acceptance at their next board meeting in February.

#### Open the Door:

The Art Piece donation will be scheduled for installation pending the Legacy Foundation's acceptance.

Staff will also follow-up with the Texan-French Arts Alliance to try and coordinate efforts so the traveling door exhibit is on display at the same time as the P.O.D.A. display.



#### P.O.D.A.:

**Proposed dates:** 

April 29-May 27 at Oyster Creek Park

4 PODS by artists Elaine Bradford, Emily Link, Brandon Ray, Thomasid Rolls & Troy Stanley



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#### Elaine Bradford & Emily Link Proposal:

Elaine Bradford and Emily Link will collaborate to create a forest diorama inside the PODA container depicting a dialogue between life-size figures and fantastical creatures, viewable through portholes in the container. Opportunities for the public to interact with the artists within the diorama will be scheduled throughout the project.

#### **Brandon Ray Proposal:**

Pod will be covered with paper garbage of all textures, shapes and sizes. Inside, two large overturned trash cans pour an avalanche of trash and debris, which collects and forms an intricate scale model of downtown Houston, assembled completely out of recycled paper and trash.



#### **Thomasid Rolls Proposal:**

By comparing a projection to the viewer's reflection, this piece will cause the viewer to personify a space. This social illusion will compel the viewer to expect a person to be filling a space that they already know is unoccupied.

#### **Troy Stanley Proposal:**

This PODA project utilizes the concept of a mobile storage space shell outfitted with 2-way mirrors and artificial turf to create an appearance of an infinitely large synthetic field/park within a small space. Viewers are encouraged to use the space much in the same way as they would a public park by hosting picnics, get togethers and cultural gatherings.

Jim Browne met with P.O.D.A. & the Houston Arts Alliance at Oyster Creek Park on 1/8/2015 to finalize the logistics and display location for the art pieces.

#### Next Steps:

Finalize agreements and exhibit installation.



Review of and discussion on a rotating student art display in the Imperial Park Recreation Center.

Presented by:

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# Rotating Student Art Display

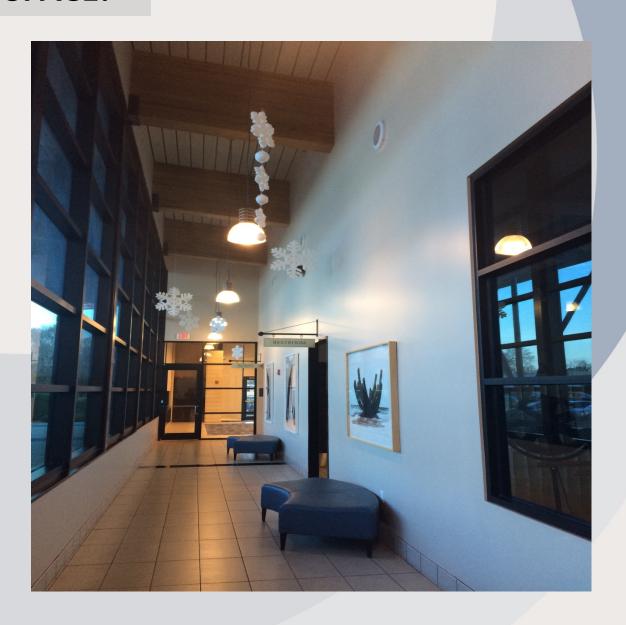
At the November 11, 2014 PARCS Board meeting, board members expressed an interest in exploring opportunities to showcase art by local students.

Staff has identified the Imperial Park Recreation Center as a great opportunity to showcase numerous art pieces throughout the year in a high traffic environment where they would gain the most exposure.

After researching several options, staff felt that a cabling display system would best suite the space allotted. The cables would allow for multiple shapes and sizes of art to be displayed.

The current Bernar Venet paintings would be relocated to the Parks Administration Office.

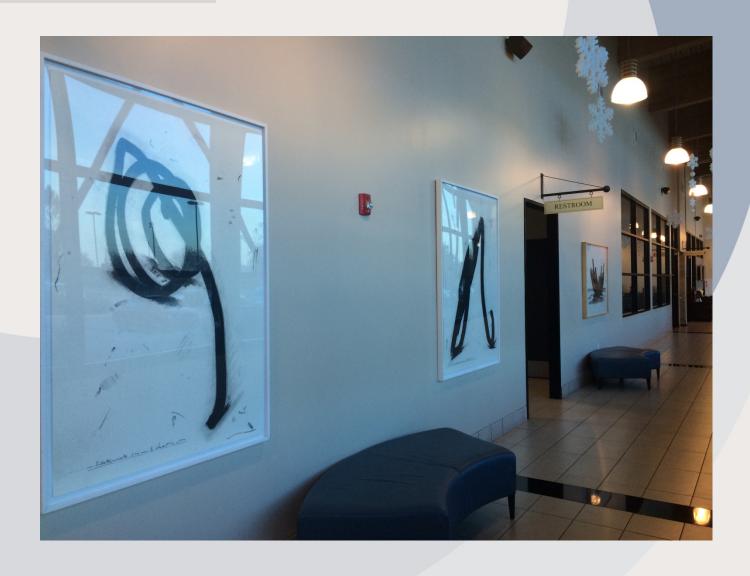
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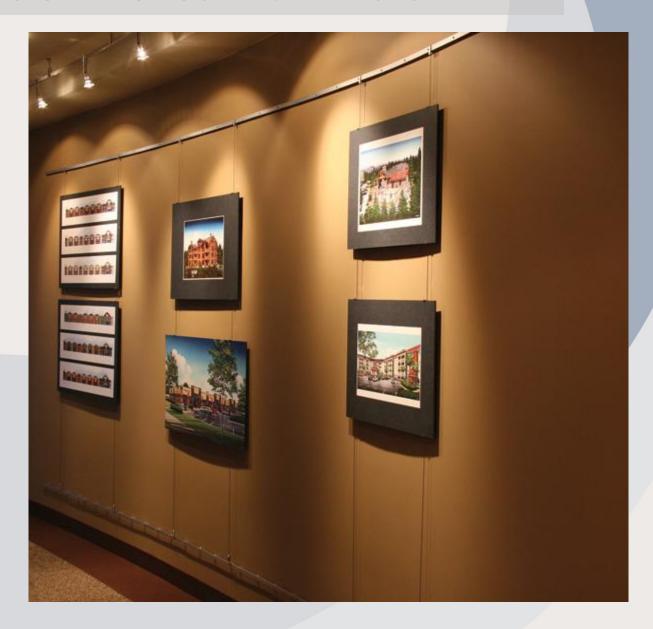
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Staff's recommendation is to solicit bids for the relocation of the current art and installation of the cabling system.

The Board is requested to provide feedback, discussion and suggestions regarding the potential implementation of this arts & culture program proposal.

# T.E. HARMAN & IMPERIAL PARK RECREATION CENTERS

Review of and discussion on an overview of the T.E. Harman and Imperial Park Recreation Centers.

Presented by:

Ms. Heather Bluejacket, Recreation Manager



# Imperial Park Recreation Center & T.E. Harman Center

#### **Memberships**

Residents - \$10/yr per person
Non-Residents - \$58/yr per person
(\$5/Day Pass per person)

Access is granted to both facilities, regardless of where the initial membership was bought.

#### **Full-time Staff**



Jessica Luna – Administrative Supervisor Charles Rychlik – Facility Technician



L.R. Heffernan – Athletics/Aquatics Coordinator Kiah Crosby – Program Coordinator

#### **Part-time Staff**

Jake Langerud, Dave Berkley, Kourtnee Hall, Sergio Martinez, Stephen Koen

#### **Hours of Operation**



Monday – Friday 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.



Sunday 1-5 p.m.

#### **Amenities**

Full-sized Gymnasium
Video Gaming Room
Exercise Room
Shower/Locker Rooms
Kitchen
Multi-purpose Rooms
Patio & Grass Area







#### Leisure Classes

Instructors – *Contracted* 

~Yoga

~Boot Camps

~Archery

~Jazzercise

~Tai Chi

~Kenpo

~Karate

~Mat-Based

~Pilates



#### **Youth Programming**

Spring Break Camp Summer Day Camp Legos Camps Soccer Tots Tennis Instruction





#### **Athletics**

Indoor: Volleyball, Table Tennis, Badminton, Basketball

Outdoor: BMX Track, Disc Golf, Skate Park, Dog Park

YSA – Youth Sports Associations

#### **Special Programming**

~Houston Rockets ~Adult Men's League

~Guest Appearances ~Skate Jam

~Tournaments ~Camps

#### **Aquatics**

City Park Location
Greater Houston Pool Management

Seasonal Pool Only
Operating during summer months



Sharks – Facility User

#### **Park Reservations**

City Park – AF, CC, P
Eldridge Park – CC, PV, AF
Lost Creek Park – CC, PV, AF
Oyster Creek Park – AP
Duhacsek Park – CC, PV
First Colony Park – CC, AF
IPRC - MP





#### **Special Events**

Upcoming:

Daddy/Daughter Dance Mommy/Son Theme

Winter Wonderland Summer RecFest Eat & Greet





#### **Full-time Staff**

Sandy Penman – Recreation Coordinator Carla Latham – Recreation Coordinator

Part-time Staff Naomi Kimnell



#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. Friday 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

#### **Amenities**

Pool Tables/Shuffle board table

Free Coffee/Tea Bar

Library

Multi-Computer Area

Game Room

Full range Kitchen

Craft Room with Pottery/kiln room

Leisure rooms







#### **Leisure Classes**

Instructors – *Volunteers* 

~Yoga ~Computer

~Pottery ~Art

~Tai Chi ~Quilting

~Line Dance ~Spanish

~Chinese Calligraphy



#### **Trips**

Upcoming: Paragon Casino

LBJ Library
Coushatta
Painted Churches





#### **Special Activities**

Pot Lucks

Bingo Fridays

Karaoke

Yahtzee



#### **Games**

Maj Jongg

Bridge

Mexican Train

Rummikub



#### **Special Events**

*Upcoming:* Sweetheart Dance

St. Patrick's Day

- ~Monster Mash
- ~Holiday Gala
- ~New Year's Eve





# Imperial Park Recreation Center & T.E. Harman Center

#### **Facility Usage**

IPRC TE Harman Center

**1,671** – Residents **770** - Residents

**577** – Non-Residents **318** – Non-Residents

**Total = 3,336 Memberships** 

(Since January 1, 2014: 3,726 Day Passes)

# Imperial Park Recreation Center & T.E. Harman Center

**Questions or Comments?** 

Heather Bluejacket Recreation Manager





Attend a walking tour of the Imperial Park Recreation Center and the T.E. Harman Center.

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